

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

THOMAS J. MORRIS,

Defendant.

Case No. MJ24-619

DETENTION ORDER

Defendant Thomas Morris is charged with possession with intent to distribute fentanyl, 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), 841(b)(1)(B). The Court held a detention hearing on October 8, 2024, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f)(1), and based upon the reasons for detention stated in the record and as hereafter set forth below, finds:

FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

1. The government is entitled to a detention hearing pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f)(1), as Mr. Morris is charged with an offense with a maximum term of ten years or more under the CSA.
2. There is a rebuttable presumption that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the person as required and the safety of

1 the community pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(e).

2 3. Taken as a whole, the record does not effectively rebut the presumption that no
3 condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of
4 Mr. Morris as required and the safety of the community.

5 4. Mr. Morris poses a risk of nonappearance due to an extensive history of failure to
6 appear for hearings, warrants and revocations of supervision. He also lacks stable
7 employment. Mr. Morris poses a risk of danger due to the nature of the offense,
8 criminal history, noncompliance with supervision, and substance use. Based on
9 these findings, and for the reasons stated on the record, there does not appear to
10 be any condition or combination of conditions that will reasonably assure Mr.
11 Morris's appearance at future court hearings while addressing the danger to other
12 persons or the community.

13 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 14 (1) Mr. Morris shall be detained pending trial, and committed to the custody of the
15 Attorney General for confinement in a correction facility separate, to the extent
16 practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody
17 pending appeal;
- 18 (2) Mr. Morris shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with
19 counsel;
- 20 (3) On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the
21 government, the person in charge of the corrections facility in which Mr. Morris
22 is confined shall deliver Mr. Morris to a United States Marshal for the purpose of
23 an appearance in connection with a court proceeding; and

1 (4) The Clerk shall direct copies of this Order to counsel for the United States, to
2 counsel for Mr. Morris, to the United States Marshal, and to the United States
3 Pretrial Services Officer.

4 Dated this 8th day of October, 2024.

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7 MICHELLE L. PETERSON
8 United States Magistrate Judge
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